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Application No. Applicant(s) 10/083.878 TU, XIANG ZHENG Notice of Allowability Examiner **Art Unit** Michelle R. Connelly-Cushwa 2874 -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address-All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. 1. This communication is responsive to Applicant's Amendment filed August 6, 2003. 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,4-7,9 and 10. 3. The drawings filed on 27 February 2002 are accepted by the Examiner. 4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). b) Some* c) None of the: a) 🔲 All 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____. 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received: 5. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application). (a) The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received. 6. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121. Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE 7. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient. 8. CORRECTED DRAWINGS must be submitted. (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached 1) Thereto or 2) to Paper No. _ _. (b) including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed _____, which has been approved by the Examiner. (c) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No. Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. 9. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL. Attachment(s) 1 Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2 Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) 3 Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 4☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No. _ . 5 Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449), Paper No. ____. 6⊠ Examiner's Amendment/Comment 7 Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit 8 Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance of Biological Material 9☐ Other PRIMARY EXAMINER

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DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

This application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims 11-22 to an invention non-elected without traverse. Accordingly, claims 1-22 been cancelled.

Response to Amendment

Applicant's Amendment filed August 6, 2003 has been fully considered and entered.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1, 4-7, 9 and 10 are allowed.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning the merits of this communication should be directed to Examiner Michelle R. Connelly-Cushwa at telephone number (703) 305-5327. The examiner can normally be reached 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Monday-Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Rodney B. Bovernick can be reached on 703-308-4819. The fax phone

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number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general or clerical nature should be directed to the Technology Center 2800 receptionist at telephone number (703) 308-0956.

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Michelle R. Connelly-Cushwa Patent Examiner September 5, 2003

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